

## Remarks

Claims 1-16 are pending in the application. Claims 1-16 are rejected. The Specification is objected to. Claims 4, 6, 11, and 14-16 are objected to. Claims 1, 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, and 14-16 are amended herein. Claims 10 and 13 are cancelled. The Specification is amended. No new subject matter is added. All rejections and objections are respectfully traversed.

Claims 4, 6, 11, and 14-16 are objected to. Claims 4, 6, 11, and 14-16 are amended herein to overcome the Examiner's objections.

Claims 5-9 and 11-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 5 and 11-13 are amended herein to overcome the rejections.

Claims 1-10, 12, and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Tsutsui, et al. (U.S. Patent 6,385,181 – "Tsutsui").

Claim 1 is amended herein to include the limitations of allowable claim 13 and intervening claim 10.

All rejections have been complied with, and applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance. The applicant urges the Examiner to contact the applicant's attorney at phone and address indicated below if assistance is required to move the present application to

allowance. Please charge any shortages in fees in connection with this filing to Deposit Account 50-0749.

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